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Erik Koeppen, Reports Analyst
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

RE: Defend America PAC (a multi candidate committee)
Identification Number: C00325993
Reference: Year 2001 Monthly Reports

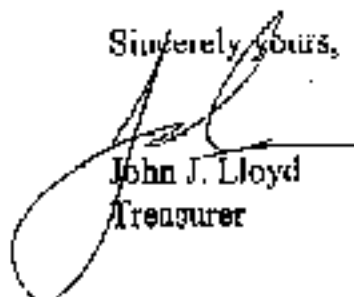
Dear Mr. Koeppen:

As per my telephone to you today, it is my understanding that the FEC has not received our response to the Commissions request for additional information related to Year 2001 Monthly Reports. As we discussed, our committee responded to the Commissions two letters via a written response which I mailed certified mail return receipt on January 1, 2002. It is my understanding from our conversation that the Commission is backlogged due to the mail problems associated with anthrax the past few months. As such, I have enclosed another copy of our written response to the two letters dated December 19, 2001 and December 21, 2001 which we received from the Commission after the Christmas holidays. I have attached to our response the certified mail receipt with the tracking number of the letter. I have not received the return receipt card as of this date.

I am sending this letter to you and a copy of our response via USPS regular mail certified, USPS express mail certified, and via Federal Express. As always, it is our desire to comply fully with the Commission and the Act. Thank you again for your

assistance and cooperation in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need any additional information in regard to this report.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "John J. Lloyd", written over a horizontal line.

John J. Lloyd
Treasurer

Enclosures: Copy of January 1, 2001 Letter from Defend PAC
Copy of FEC letters received by Committee

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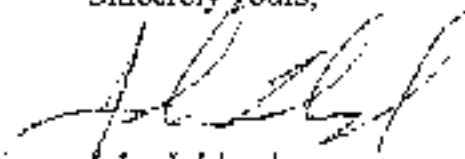
Dear Mr. Ciaraldi:

I am in receipt of and thank you for your letter of December 19, 2001 and December 21, 2001 concerning the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above.

Your letter raised questions regarding administrative expenses. The administrative expenses reflected in the reports filed by our committee for 2000 and 2001, to the present correctly reflect payments made for the purpose of operating Defend America PAC, which included expenses for a post office box, postage, stationary, envelopes, catering and meeting (also referred to as reception expenses), consulting and fundraiser fees, accounting and preparation of FEC report fees, tax return preparation, supplies, software for FEC reporting, and other expenses. Defend America PAC has paid independent consultants for accounting, bookkeeping, tax report preparation, FEC compliance and fundraising activities which has eliminated the need for office expenses such as rent, utilities, salaries, and telephone services. Administrative expenses recently received and paid in 2000 and 2001 have been correctly reported in the monthly reports. There were no goods or services provided to the committee by any other person, committee, entity, except as reflected in the above referenced reports.

Thank you again for your assistance and cooperation in this matter. Please do not
hesitate to contact me should you need any additional information in regard to this report.

Sincerely yours,


John J. Lloyd
Treasurer

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January 10, 2002

John Lloyd, Treasurer
Defend America PAC
Post Office Box 2626
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Identification Number: C00325993

Reference: February Monthly (1/1/01-1/31/01), March Monthly (2/1/01-2/28/01)
and August Monthly (7/1/01-7/31/01) Reports

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

This letter is to inform you that as of January 9, 2002, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated December 19, 2001. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by January 30, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Erik Koepfen on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,


John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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John Lloyd, Treasurer
Defend America PAC
Post Office Box 2626
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DEC 19 2001

Identification Number: C00325993

Reference: February Monthly (1/1/01-1/31/01), March Monthly (2/1/01-2/28/01)
and August Monthly (7/1/01-7/31/01) Reports

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses limited payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to; rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Any such payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule(s) B supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5) If these expenses are being paid by a connected organization, your Statement of Organization must be amended to reflect this relationship. 2 U.S.C. §433(b)(2) In addition, if expenses have been incurred but not paid in a reporting period, the activity should be disclosed as a debt on Schedule D, if the obligation is \$500 or more, or outstanding for sixty days or more. 11 CFR §104.11

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed during each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the

non-election year. Please verify that all expenses referenced above (i.e., rent, salaries, utilities, etc.) have been adequately disclosed. If these services have been provided by volunteers, please confirm this in writing.

A response or amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

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Erik W. Koeppen

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DEC 21 2001

Identification Number: C00325993

Reference: July Monthly (6/1/01-6/30/01) and November Monthly (10/1/01-10/31/01) Reports

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